and hopes to be about soon again. It was rumored in Trieste, on the 21st, that Mr. Harris, the American minister to Austria-Hungary, intended to invite Admiral Dewey to be his safety. guest in Vienna and to proceed to the the emperor.

Admiral Dewey told acorrespondent, who boarded the Olympia shortly after she dropped anchor at Trieste, Austria, that the northern air took him in its arms like an old friend, and that he had gained eight pounds since leaving

The chief signal officer has received | horses to Manila. the official sick report for the month of April, covering all the signal companies on duty in the Philippines. It shows a total of only 4.23 per cent. affairs for any climate.

Two sharp earthquakes shocks were felt in the southern part of the state of California, on the 21st, at 4:34 p. m. The first shock lasted several seconds, and was most severe. The vibrations were from east to west. No damage worth mentioning was experienced.

It is understood in Vienna that the United States minister to Austria-Hungary, Mr. Addison C. Harris, and oth- | the occasion. ers connected with the American legation, as well as most of the United going to Trieste to greet Admiral in the most cordial manner. Dewey.

On the 17th the German ambassador, Baron Von Holleben, presented to the president, Herr Mumm von Schwarzenstein, who had arrived from Germany, and who is to act as ad interim ambassador during the temporary absence of the ambassador in Germany.

Post Office department officials exthe next session of congress for automobiles to be used in collecting the mails at all first-class post offices. Reficials in Washington that they may date of 3,129. be used to advantage.

Notwithstanding a rapid exchange of telegrams during the day between Senator Fairbanks, in Washington, and Sir Wilfred Laurier, in Ottawa, at the close of office hours, on the 20th, no arrangement had been reached as to the postponement of the meeting of the joint high commission.

Three hundred members of the National Editorial association arrived at case of any American hero. Winnipeg, Man., on the 21st, and were the Brandon experimental farm, were pavilion at one of the parks.

A prolonged spell of unprecedented heat, which has prevailed over the entire British isles, reached a climax, on the 20th, when the thermometer registered 128 degrees in the sun and 87 degrees in the shade. There have been numerous cases of sunstroke, many ending fatally.

In response to the recently cabled request of Gen. Otis for 4,000 horses for use in the Philippines during the fall campaign, the quartermaster's department has already chartered three vessels capable of carrying half that number, the first of which probably will leave Seattle on August 10.

On the 17th Mr. Frank A. Vanderlip, assistant secretary of the treasury, said: "What appears to be a conservative estimate of the amount of gold which will come out of the Klondike this summer is \$18,000,000, a large proportion of which will go through the government assay office at Seattle."

The Democratic national committee at its meeting in Chicago, on the 20th, placed ex-Gov. Stone, of Missouri, in Chairman Jones. He was unanimously elected vice-chairman. New rules were adopted, giving the vice-chairman,

C. M. Foote, grand exalted leading knight of the grand lodge Order of Elks, died in Minneapolis, Minn., on the 16th, from heart failure, superinduced by a complication of diseases. Mr. Foote was one of the leading citizens of Minneapolis, and a few years since was a prominent candidate for postmaster. He was 50 years old.

The bureau of ordnance has taken steps to relieve the coast forts of the country of the large accumulation of obsolete ordnance that has been piling construction from cast iron to steel guns. It is worth less as junk than the cost of removing it and breaking | through the mail.

A special from Aberdeen, S. D., on the 21st, said: "Yesterday was the hottest day known in this section of the state for many years, the government thermometer registering 106 in the shade at 3 p. m. Crops are damaged to up to the 20th, for three full regisome extent, a conservative estimate ments. being 15 to 20 per cent. Business was suspended."

The board of naval chiefs decided, on the 21st, to give 30 months for building the six new protected cruisers, instead of 24 months as was first contemplated. This is due to the rush of private work at all the shipyards, which made the yards indisposed to bid on the vessels until more time was given. The extension, it is said, insures active competition and lower figures.

The steamer Laurada arrived at Seattle, Wash., on the 17th, from St. Michaels, with between 200 and 400 passengers. Among them were 15 discharged soldiers from Rampart City. No big amounts of gold dust were carried on the steamer. Some claim there was a half million scattered among the passengers, while others say most of them were returning empty handed.

TOPICS OF THE DAY.

NEWS FROM EVERYWHERE. PERSONAL AND GENERAL.

On June 14 a great quantity of gunpowder exploded in a go-down of the military division at Shinkei-Yei, Japan, and over 300 houses surrounding the place were destroyed and 30 On the 17th the city council of Columbus, O., by a vote of 15 to 3, impeached and removed from office Joseph W. Dusenbury, director of public

Lord Curzon, viceroy of India, will Tyrol, passing through Ischl to visit | start on a tour of central India, on October 20, accompanied by Lady Curzon. On the 17th James MacGuire, cashier of the National State bank of Elizabeth, N. J., was appointed receiver for the Middlesex County Bank of Perth

cashier, George W. Valentine. The war department has chartered the steamer Siam to carry 300 cavalry

On the 17th the first and third batsick-a remarkably favorable state of | talions of the Ninteenth infantry left Camp Meade, for the Philippines, via railroad. There were five trains.

making \$14,480 in all.

ninth anniversary of that country's in- agreement. dependence on the 20th. The public offices in Colon were closed, and all business was suspended in honor of

was the first caller on Admiral Dewey to lead a movement for the indepen-States consuls in Austria-Hungary, are at Trieste, Austria, and was saluted dence of the church in the Philip-

and machinery \$400,000 ..

regulating practice before the courts and brotherhoods.

pect to ask for an appropriation from nesota, sailed from Queenstown for successful prospecting parties that the United States on board the steamer wintered on the Koyukuk and other Britannic on the 20th.

cent tests in Buffalo have satisfied of- 20th, was 451, making a total to that sale to secure means to obtain their Enlistments for the ten new vol-

> unteer regiments for service in the gratifying to government officials. Rear-Admiral Pallizer, lately in com-

been placed on the retired list. Active preparations are making in States. Washington to give Admiral Dewey a welcome entirely unprecedented in the

entertained by the city council and the torpedo-boat destroyer Bullfinch, on building in Chicago on October 9, by Winnipeg press men. They visited the Solent, during her trial, on the a committee of representative men, 21st, killed nine and injured four of who will leave the city for that purshown over the city, and dined in the | those on board. It was the worst accident of this nature that has occurred

steam and boiling water. A number of conventions in the induring September. Each is to be a district convention, embracing several will attend. President W. H. Moore

Capt. Byrne, with 70 men of the many wounded. Capt. Byrne lost one crew. man killed and one wounded. The fighting was at close quarters.

Judge Morrill, at Salt Lake, Utab, imposed a fine of \$100 upon Angus M. Cannon, the defendant having, by his attorneys, pleaded guilty to the charge resented by his attorney.

charge of affairs during the absence of the resignation of Secretary Alger, duced, when she got beyond her would, in reality, turn over the office | body was recovered. while acting, all the authority of the to Assistant Secretary Meikeljohn, before the date named.

After a term of rest and nearly comof several years, the volcano of Mokuout, and gives promise of one of the greatest demonstrations ever furnished by the volcanoes of the islands. Elihu Root, of New York, is mentioned as the probable successor of

Secretary Alger. The grand jury of New York city, on the 20th, returned an indictment against Roland B. Molineux for murup ever since the change in ordnance der in the first degree in having caused the death of Mrs. Kate J.

Adams by means of poison sent Rapid progress is being made in the organization of the new volunteer regiments. Almost all of the commissioned force of 600 officers have been appointed, all the new regiments are partly organized and there were nearly a sufficient number of men enlisted,

The fourth biennial international convention of the Epworth league met at Indianapolis, Ind., on the 20th, with cordially welcomed at the opening meeting by representatives of the city

copal church. doubter and the most brilliant word agent of the Denver & Rio Grande railpainter since Shakespeare, dropped road, died at Denver, Col., on the 24th, dead, in the presence of his wife, on of diabetes. He was born at Memphis, the 21st, at the residence of his son-in- Tenn., January 15, 1854, and has been law, Walston H. Brown, at Dobbs' engaged in the railroad business since the flesh being badly torn. A mad-Ferry, N. Y., where he has made his 1876.

summer home in recent years. \$20,000 to the endowment fund of Mc- have now assumed definite form, and Kendree college, by giving his pledge are causing great excitement in Rusfor that amount to Dr. M. H. Chan, sian circles in Shanghai. berlin, president of that institution, conditional upon the latter raising an Rubens had a conference, on the 24th, additional \$80,000.

Gov. Tanner's lion hunting expedition was successful, the chief executive of Illineis having succeeded in killing a fine specimen of the mount ain lion in the Rockies near Debeque, Col., which will be mounted and sent home to adorn the executive mansion

as an evidence of his skill, The epidemic of anthrax prevailing among the cattle on the Island of Gothland is spreading in a most alarming manner. Forty parishes have beome infected, and deaths of human beings who had contracted the disease

Gus Willis, an old-time Philadelphia actor, died suddenly of heart disease at Salt Lake, Utah, on the 21st.

George Wintrowd, a Howard county (Ind.) farmer, was returning home after delivering his wheat crop at Kokomo, on the 21st, and on passing a wood he was shot, the bullet entering near the ear. Wintrowd retained consciousness, and ran his horses before Amboy, N. J., recently wrecked by its the robber could get him. He had his wheat money in his pocket, and escaped with it.

The bureau of immigration gives the official figures of the immigration to On the 17th ex-Secretary Foster left this country for the fiscal year which Washington for his summer home on ended June 30 last. These show that 311,715 immigrants arrived during the year, against a total of 229,299 for 1898 and 250,832 for 1897.

It has been arranged between Sena-San Francisco, over the Pennsylvania | tor Fairbanks and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, | four years. acting in behalf of the American and On the 17th the contributions to the British commissioners, that the joint Dewey home fund, amounted to \$149, high commission will not meet on August 2, but that it shall be adjourned All Colombia celebrated the eighty- to a date to be determined by mutual

LATE NEWS ITEMS.

A Filipino priest named Gregory The British consul, Mr. Churchill, Agripay, with the insurgents, is trying pines in the Spanish priesthood. He Secretary Alger, on the 20th, ap- has issued a proclamation declaring proved plans for a building for the re- himself the vicar general of all the frigerator plant at Manila. The build- Filipino priests in the district outside ing will cost \$230,000, and the plant of American control on the Island of Luzon, and is inciting the priests to An order has been issued in Manila disobey the regulations of the church

and substituting the American for Late arrivals from St. Michae's the Spanish system in important re- Alaska, report that there are at St. Michaels about 40 small river steamers Archbishop John Ireland, of Min- for sale. They are the property of unbranches of the Yukon. In many in-The number of enlistments, on the stances their owners depend on their

An organization is being formed by some of the Spanish residents of Manila from \$11,435,305 to \$13,431,999; indi-Philippines are going on at a rate very with a view of securing American citi- vidual deposits increased from \$39,zenship. The originators of the movement claim that in this way their mand of the British North Pacific property will secure protection. Many squadron, stationed at Esquimault, has Spanfards are willing to pay \$500 each to become citizens of the United

President Diaz of Mexico and his cabinet will be formally invited to attend the ceremonies of the laving of An explosion on board the British the corner-stone of the new federal pose on the 5th.

Hon. Elihu Root, who is to succeed The victims were terribly injured by department, called on the president, make a fine corn crop. on the 24th. Mr. Root desired to have a conference with the president reterest of good roads and public im- specting the duties of his new office provements are to be held in Illinois before the latter left for Lake Cham-

ians at Taliulah, La., says the United of the State and Interstate Good States has given assurances that it Roads and Public Improvement asso- will prosecute rigorously all who were ciation is arranging with railroads concerned in the commission of the

One of the boilers of the Austrian Sixteenth infantry, was surprised, at torpedo boat Adler exploded, on the Bolong, island of Panay, on the 19th, 23d, while the vessel was off the Island by 450 Panayans, who were, in turn, of Torcola, in the Adriatic sea, killing surprised by the loss of 115 killed and a lieutenant and four members of the

box robber, who escaped from the Ohio | ed near Marshfield. He had disposed of penitentiary May 8, last, was returned the animals for \$25. to that institution on the 22d.

Jessie Hoover, 14 years old, was drowned at the Greater America exof unlawful cohabitation. Mr. Cannon position grounds at Omaha, Neb., on was not present in court, but was rep- the 24th. With a younger brother she was wading in the pool where the The president, on the 20th, accepted spectacular battle of Manila is proto take effect August 1. It was under- depth. She was a daughter of the en-

pending the naming of his successor, England, Joseph H. Choate, gave a reception at his residence, on the 24th, to the Yale-Harvard atheletic teamplete idleness extending over a period the Sewards, Messrs, Wendell, Brooks and Sherrill, and Walter Camp. A death for killing his wife, at St. Louis,

The United States transport Mor- court. gan City arrived at San Francisco, on the 24th, from Manila, with returning troops, including those invalided home. She was at once sent to the Angel Island quarantine station for

examination and fumigation. It is reported at Los Angeles, Cal., that an oil well trust is being formed to take in all the oil properties thus far developed in the Carolina and Whittier district. It is proposed to incorporate the new company with a

capitalization of \$20,000,000. Simple funeral exercises over the body of the late Robert G. Ingersoll were held at Walston, the Ingersoll summer home, at Dobbs Ferry, on the history. The rains have been just 25th. The remains were afterwards right for the crop, but bad for wheat. taken to Fresh Pond, Long Island, and

cremated. It is the intention of the war department to send all cavalry horses leggings, at 3443 North Broadway, St. a large attendance. The delegates were for the Philippines by way of Unalaska and Nagasaki, so that they may be taken off the ships at both these and state and of the Methodist Epis- places and given rest during the long

voyage. Col. Robert G. Ingersoll, lawyer, Allen Thomas Wells, general freight

-The reports regarding a Japan Dr. D. K. Pearsons, of Chicago, adds Chinese alliance, which have been perto his already long list of benefactions sistently denied for some time past,

Senor Queseda and Mr. Horatio S. with the president concerning the proposed census of Cuba.

MISSOURI STATE NEWS.

Recent Deaths. Wm. L. Saltenstall, aged 76, an old settler of Saline county, near Slater. Herman H. Meyers, a promiuent German citizen of Sedalia, and an old resident of Pettis county, suddenly, aged 65. He was stricken with apo-

ed only a few hours. Roll Etter, son of C. W. Etter, at Holden. He was young and married. His wife was Miss Jackson, of Mober-

Wm. T. Followill, a civil war veteran, at his home in Louisiana, of heart trouble, aged 60. He was second lieutenant of Co. F, Seventh Missouri volunteers, in the civil war, and was one of the heroes who ran the blockade at Vicksburg on the night of April 22, 1863, and was pilot of the flagboat Tigress when she was shot to pieces

and sunk. Clifton Thomas, at Warrensburg, of heart disease, at the age of 56. He had lived at Warrensburg 27 years. He held various positions in the legislature, last session acting as clerk of the house normal school committee. The deceased leaves a widow and five chil-

W. H. Roberts, at the home of his son, W. S. Roberts, at Huntsville, aged 64. Mr. Roberts was county collector

F. W. Linkelmann, a leading wholesale liquor merchant, of Nevada, of heart failure, while in Kansas. T. A. Barnes, aged 74, a pioneer physician of Carroll county, at Nor-

stroke. Mrs. Lucy Bowman, wife of Sam Bowman, a prominent farmer, near Knobnoster, aged 35.

Mrs. Elizabeth Lilley, aged 91, at St. Joseph. She was an invalid for half a century. A greater part of this time she was confined to her bed. She was the oldest member of the First Christian church of St. Joseph. Col. C. N. Palmer, aged 68, at War-

rensburg, of heart disease.

St. Louis National Banks.

The abstract of the condition of the national banks of St. Louis at the close of business on June 30, as reported to the comptroller of the currency, shows the average reserve to have been 23.81 per cent., against 20.92 per cent. on April 5; loans and discounts increased from \$45,913,704 to \$48,146,822; stocks and securities decreased from \$6,039,940 to \$4,809,688; gold coin increased from \$3,956,413 to \$4,858,812; total specie increased from \$5.518.075 to \$7,388,370; lawful money increased '64, and entered the New York univer-747,388 to \$40,322,976.

Pettis County Wheat.

idly pouring into the elevators. Throughout the county the average yield is less than last year, but it is of better grade.

Bright Prospects in Callaway. Most of the farmers in northern Callaway county have finished their hay harvest. The harvest is one of the largest and finest in the county for in the British navy in many years. Secretary Alger at the head of the war several years. One more rain will

Thrown in Front of a Mower. Judge George W. Payne, of the Miler county court, Second district, was thrown from his mower in a runaway. The Popolo Romano, of Rome, re- He fell in front of the cycle-bar and counties, and it is expected thousands ferring to the recent lynching of Ital- received serious, if not fatal, injuries.

The Corn Crop. Corn has been making substantial progress except in southern counties, where it is said to be tasseling low

ing ear stage and needs rain badly. A Young Horse-Thief. Wm. Harris, a negro boy, stole a mare and three mule colts from Ned Timothy Hogan, the notorious mail Haney, near Hartville. He was arrest-

> Goes to Other Fields. Prof. J. T. Pritchett, for two years

female college, Lexington, has been

Fines Must be Paid.

The assistant attorney general of stood, however, that Secretary Alger gineer of the scenic railway. The Missouri rules that the fine against the ousted incurance companies must The United States ambassador to be paid whether within the 30 days

Privlege of an Insolvent. Frank Callaway, under sentence of weoweo, Hawaii, has again broken large number of Americans were pres- pleads the privilege of an insolvent in appealing his case to the supreme

> Poisoned by Eating Crawfish. George Geddes, aged 20, city editor of the Springfield Republican, died from ptomine poisoning of the stom-

ach caused, it is said, by eating craw-

Strange Breach of Promise Suit. At Kansas City Mrs. Blanche Davis has sued Rufus H. Davis, from whom she was divorced two years ago, for

\$10,000 for breach of promise. Saline's Corn Crop. It is said that Saline county will raise the finest crop of corn in its

Horse-Collar Factory Burned. The large plant of Sommers Bros., manufacturers of horse-collars and

Louis, was destroyed by fire. An Old Schoolhouse. A feature of the dedicatory exercises of Blees military academy, Macen, was an exhibit of a schoolhouse erected in

Rural Delivery in Jasper County.

is a good one

A rural delivery is to be inaugurated

Bitten by a Mad Dog. Mrs. Ernest Finlay, near Sturgeon, was bitten on the arm by a mad dog, stone was applied.

in Jasper county August 15. The first service will cover the country around Certhage. The Flax Crop Good. Flax is being cut and threshed in the southwestern district. The crop

Hon. Elihu Root, of New York, Has Accepted the War Portfolio plexy at the supper table, and survivin the Cabinet.

THE NEW SECRETARY'S ANTECEDENTS.

He is a Lawyer of Extensive Practice and Has Held Many Positions Where Wisdom and Abilty Have Been Prerequisites of Successful

Washington, July 23.-Elihu Root, of New York, has accepted the war portfolio in President McKinley's cabinet. The telegram of acceptance was received shortly after noon, while Secretary Long was with the president. Secretary Alger had just left. The tender of the war portfolio was made conference at the White House,

The Announcement Made. The announcement of Mr. Root's appointment was made at the war department. It was stated that Senator Platt came to Washington, Friday evening, armed with authority from Mr. Root, to accept, in his name, the war portfolio. It is not expected that the acceptance will make any change in the plans of Secretary Alger, and borne as the result of a paralytic he will remain on duty until the end of the present month, being assisted by Mr. Meiklejohn. Secretary Alger had confidently expected the appointment of Mr. Root, and was very much pleased with the president's choice. This was evinced in the following letter, which Secretary Alger addressed

> to his successor: "Washington, D. C., July 21, 1899 .-My Dear Mr. Root: All I know is what the newspapers say, that you are to succeed me as secretary of war. Should it come to you I most urgently urge you to make the sacrifice and accept the position. With your knowledge of law and your excellent health, you can serve the country in a way given to few men. Sincerly yours,

"R. A. AEGER." "Hon. Elihu Root, New York."

Elihu Root's Antecedents.

New York, July 23.-Elihu Root was born February 15, 1845, at Clinton, Oneido county, N. Y. He graduated from Hamilton college, in the class of sity law school. He was admitted to the bar in 1867, since which time he has been in the active practice of his profession in this city. He was United States attorney for the southern dis-Pettis county wheat has nearly all | trict of New York, from March, 1883, | ment, been threshed, and the grain is rap- to July, 1885. He was vice-president of the Bar association of the city of New York for a number of years; vicepresident of the New York Grant Monument association, at one time president of the Republican club and the president of the Union League club. He has been a trustee of Hamilton college since 1883, and has served as pres ident of the New England society in the city of New York. He was one of the most prominent members of the last New York state constitutional convention when he served as chair-

man of the judiciary committee. To Confer with the President. Washington, July 24.-Hon. Eliha Root, who is to succeed Secretary Alger at the head of the war department. has telegraphed the president that he will be here to-day. Mr. Root desires to have a conference with the president respecting the duties of his new office, before the former leaves for

and firing. It is approaching the roast- Lake Champlain. MAY BE A SERIOUS MATTER. The Italian Charge d'Affaires Takes

Cognizance of the Louisiana

Quintuple Lynching.

Washington, July 23 .- The lynching of five Italians in Louisiana, Friday, promises to assume an international aspect through the action of the a member of the faculty at Central Italian government. Count Vinchi, the Italian charge d'affaires, called at the elected president of McFerrin college, state department at an early hour and made representations to the officials concerning the atrocity in Louisiana. In order to get full information as a basis for action by this government, Secretary Hay thereupo telegraphed the governor of Louisiana, requesting all the facts in the case. Count Vinchi's action was predicated on reports from the Italian consular officials in Louisiana, and by the press reports. There is reason to believe also that the Italian foreign office is already fully informed on the occurrence. It is probable, however, that the representations thus far made are only preliminary. with a view to calling attention to the facts reported, and pave the way to any protest or demand of reparation which may follow. The affair is considered in official Italian quarters as much like that in the Mafia cases at New Orleans, while Mr. Blaine was secretary of state, at which time the Italian minister, Baron Fava, is now in Rome on vacation, and during his absence Count Vinchi has charge of Ital-

ian affairs in this country. Anthrax in Gothland. Stockholm, July 23.-The epidemic of anthrax prevailing among the cattle on the Island of Gothland is spreading in a most alarming manner. Forty parishes have become infected, and deaths of human beings who had con-

tracted the disease are recorded. Special Leave to Appeal. London, July 23 .- The privy council has granted special leave to appeal against the decision of the superior court of Canada in the case of Hobbs

against the Esquimault & Hansime railway. The Joint High Commission. Ottawa, Ont., July 23.-It has been arranged between Senator Fairbanks and Sir Wilfrid Laurier, acting in behalf of the American and British commissioners, that the joint high commission will not meet on August 2, but that it shall be adjourned to a date to

be determined by mutual agreement. Sailing of the Tartar Delayed. San Francisco, July 23.-The sailing of the transport Tartar has been postponed until Sunday owing to the delay in the arrival of troops from the east, ALGER CONCE VED THE IDEA. une Achievement of Which the Rebiring Secretary of War is Justly Proud.

Washington, July 24.—Secretary Alger bas always felt a pardonable pride in the success with which the war department met the tremendous problem thrust upon it by the necessity with which it was confronted during the war with Spain of suddenly disposing of thousands of Spanish prisoners captured in Santiago province. The history of that time has not been fully told, and it remained for Secreany Alger to supply the need by the

following bit of reminiscence:

"On the night of July 9, 1898, the

president asked me what, in my judgment, we should do with the Spanish prisoners of Santiago after their capture. The matter had received very much thought from the president and myself, but no definite conclusion had been reached. I then suggested to the president that Galveston, Tex., would be the best place in the United States, in my judgment, where we could send to Mr. Root Friday night, after the them; that it was away from the coast line travel; a good harbor; that there would be plenty of room for camping them, and that its climate would be as nearly similar to that of Santiago as we could probably select. This seemed to meet his approval, as it was only a question of time, of course, when their capture would be effected. I went to my home, as nearly as I can remember, about two o'clock in the morning, and being too tired to sleep. I lay awake for awhile, but finally dozed off. I awoke at daybreak, and my first thought was concerning the Spanish prisoners, and the new idea came into my head Why not send them back to Spain?' This thought so deeply impressed me that I formulated my plan, and on the morning of July 10, instead of going to the department direct, I went to the White House and laid the new plan before the president, saying that it would be an unprecedence. dented procedure and a most gracious act; that to transport the prisoners to Galveston would be half the distance; that we should have to clothe. and no doubt have to ship them back to Scain in the end. I also stated that I believed that it would be a great lages in naval war, be reserved for inducement to the Spaniards to surrender, which Gen. Shafter afterward assured me was the effect. The presi- | the plenary delegates. dent readily approved the plan, and on the same day I cabled Gen. Shafter as

"War Department, July 10, 1898. 'Gen, Shafter, Playa del Este, San-

tiago de Cuba; "'Should the Spania.ds surrender unconditionally and wish to return to Spain, they will be sent back at the expense of the United States govern-

"'k. A. ALGER, Secretary of War.' "Upon receiving this, on the 11th of July, Gen. Shafter sent the following communication to the commander-inthief of the Spanish forces:

"'Headquarters of the Seventh Army Corps, Camp near Santiago de Cuba, July 11, 1898;

"'Sir-With the largely increased forces which have come to me, and the fact that I have your line of retreat securely in my hands, the time seems fitting that I should again demand of your excellency the surrender of Santiago, and of your excelstate that should your excellency so desire, the government of the United States will transport the entire command of your excellency to Spain. "'I have the honor to be, very re-

spectfully, your obedient servant, "'WM. R. SHAFTER, " 'Major-General Commanding."

To which the commander replied as follows: " 'Santiago de Cuba, July 11, 1898. "'Sir-I have the honor to advise your eminence that your communical only take on coal and stores. We are tion of this date is received, and in re- expected in New York by October 1. ply desire to confirm that which I said

"'Reiterating my sentiment, I am ican congress." very respectfully, your servant.

" JOSE TORAL, "Commander in Chief Fourth Corps and Military Governor of Santiago. "Immediately upon the surrender thought anything yet." steps were taken to carry out the pledges of the United States govern | made another carriage excursion to ment to ship the Spaniards home. The the chauteau of Miramara, quartermaster's department immediately advertised for bids to transport the prisoners to Spain, with the result that eight of the ocean transports submitted a combined bid, which was, for officers \$110, and for enlisted men \$55 per capita, steamers to be dispatched from Santiago de Cuba within 48 hours of their reported arrival, or demurrage to be paid at the rate of 60 cents per capita per day, same demurrage to be paid if steamers be detained at place of debarkation by quarantine or other causes. The Sparish trans-Atlantic Co.'s bid was \$55 per capita for officers, and \$28 for enlisted, with no demurrage. The Spanish company's ofprisoners were inspected by a United

government paid for transportation of all the prisoners, \$513,860 Under other bids it would have cost nies under their bid would have cost the government \$1,312,915. Here was \$800,000 saved to the United States. and probably as much more in de-

murrage. "Some days after this contract was awarded, the president said to me as

I entered the cabinet room: "'Mr. Secretary, would you like to hear something favorable to you, pointing to the New York Times?' and went on to read the editorial comment complimentary to the man whose mind originated the plan of transporting the Spaniards back to Spain."

A Matrimonial Excursion. Detroit, Mich., July 24 .- A special to the Free Press from St. Joseph, Mich.

"Eight thousand excursionists were in the city yesterday, 3,000 from Chicago, 1,500 from Racine, Wis., and over 3,000 on the different railways. The rush at County Clerk Needham's residence by Chicago matrimonial parties was the biggest of the season. At one time four weddings were on, and one of these was a double wedding There were in all 23 marriage licenses issued, and all to Chicago parties.

ACTS OF PEACE CONFERENCE.

Results of Deliberations Placed in Convenient Form for Action by the Several Governments Concerned.

The Hague, July 25,-The general act embodying the results of the international peace conference after enumerating the names and qualifications of all the delegates, says:

"In a series of meetings in which the above delegates participated, inspired throughout by the desire to realize in the highest possible measure the generous views of its august initiator, the conference has drawn up for the approval of the respective governments the series of

pended: "Convention for the pacific settlement of international disputes.

conventions and declarations ap-

"Convention concerning the laws and customs of war on land.

"Convention for the adoption of laws against the use of asphyxiating or deleterious gases from balloon projectiles, and for the prohibition of the use of bullets that expand in the human body."

The general act contains five ex pressions of opinions as follows: "The conference considers that limitations of the military charges which at present oppress the world are greatly to be desired for the increase of the

material and moral werfare of man-"The conference expresses the opinion that the question of the rights and duties of neutrals should be inscribed on the programme of a confenerce to

be held at an early date. "The conference expresses the opinion that questions relative to the typeand calibre of rifles and naval artillery, as examined by it, should be the subject of study by the different goveroments, with a view to arrive at an uniform solution by a future confer-

"The conference expresses the wish that an early convention be called to-

revise the Geneva convention. "The conference has resolved that shelter, guard and feed them there, questions relating to the inviolability of private property in war on land, and the bombardment of towns or vil-

> future conferences." The convention was signed by all

ADMIRAL DEWEY AT TRIESTE. Assures a Correspondent of His Per-

feet Health-Visited Trieste for the Benefit of His Crew.

Trieste, July 25 .- A correspondent of the press yesterday visited Admiral Dewey on board his flagship Olympia and was cordially received.

Admiral Dewey said that although he had received many invitations from Americans sojourning at Carlsbad, he had never intended going there. "Look at me," said the admiral.

"Do I look like a sick man? Do I look as if I required Carlsbad treatment? I am quite heaithy, and though I will be 62 next December, I feel quite young in health and spirits, and from my humor you will notice that what I tell you is quite correct. I came to Trieste solely to recruit the health of my crew, they having spent 15 months in the tropics without a break. My lency's army. I am authorized to reception by the Austrian officials was: most friendly, and according to the usual etiquette. All reports of the emperor's declining me a reception

"I expect to remain in Trieste about a week longer, and shall then proceed, probably to Naples. Further details. and plans have not been decided upon, but the cruiser will remain during the whole of August at Mediterranean ports. The last port touched in Europe will be Gibraltar, where we will

"I have accepted invitations to rein my former communication; also to ceptions by the citizens of New York advise you that I have communicated and Washington, and am already in your proposition to the general-in possession of a photograph of the sword of houor voted me by the Amer-

> Admiral Dewey absolutely refused to talk upon political subjects, and when asked what he thought regarding England, replied: "I have not The admiral, yesterday afternoon,

PACKED HER TRUNK AND FLED. Mrs. Fitzgerald, Wife of a Promi-

nent Business Man, Mysteri-

ously Missing.

Omaha, Neb., July 25 .- A special to the Bee from Hastings, Neb., says: "Mrs. W. A. Fitzgerald, wife of a prominent business man of this place, is missing. She disappeared several days ago, but the matter was not made public at the time. Her husband is away from home part of the time, and before his last trip asked her to accompany him out, but she declined. The day after he left she packed her fer was accepted. The rations for the trunk, saying she was going to join her husband. She left town, and has. States government official, and this not been seen since. Mrs. Fitzgerald is well known in the state, is finelooking, 25 years old and dresses well.

MEN OF NOTE.

Perry Belmont's fad is the collection. Chemistry is Lord Salisbury's hobby. and he spends much time in his private-

John Wanamaker's first salary was. \$1.25, which he was paid by a Philadelphia publishing firm. Few newspapers spell the postmaster-general's middle name correctly. It

laboratory.

ical drawing.

is "Emory," not "Emery," as most of them print it. The prince of Wales, contrary to general belief, does not have the privilege of posting his letters free, and his.

stamps, stationery and telegrams cost him £1,000 per annum. Capt. N. M. Dyer, who commanded the Baltimore at the battle of Manila, did not graduate from the naval academy, but served six years on merchantmen before entering the United States.

Capt. Sigsbee, late of the Maine, is the inventor of a deep sea sounding machine, for which he got medals from Prussia and England. He also invented an ingenious parallel ruler for mechan-